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From: Sean King
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 6:44 PM
To: Douglas Curella
Subject: Taiwan

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Dear Doug,

As I mentioned last week, Park Strategies, LLC and I are registered with the U.S. Department of Justice, under the Foreign Agents Registration Act, as agents on behalf of our client, the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO) in the United States.

I'd greatly appreciate any introductions you can make, for purposes of travel to Taiwan, in Senator Ron Johnson's office. Incidentally, I noticed that Senator Johnson serves on the U.S. Senate Homeland Security Committee. FYI, Taiwan participates in the U.S. Container Security Initiative (CSI), <http://kaohsiung.ait.org.tw/en/csi.html>

Thanks,

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From: Sean King
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 6:36 PM
To: Greenacre, Darci (Collins)
Cc: JOHN ZAGAME
Subject: RE: Meeting with Ryan Kaldahl

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Dear Darci,

Thanks very much for your e-mail. As Ryan may have told you, Park Strategies, LLC and I are registered with the U.S. Department of Justice, under the Foreign Agents Registration Act, as agents on behalf of our client, the Republic of Somalia.

I'm actually based in New York. But my colleague, John Zagame (copied above), and/or I will reach out to you the next time we know that we're going to be in Washington. Thanks again so very much for your message.

Kindest regards,

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From: Greenacre, Darci (Collins) [mailto:Darci_Greenacre@collins.senate.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 5:49 PM
To: Sean King
Subject: Meeting with Ryan Kaldahl

Sean,

My colleague Ryan Kaldahl asked me to set up a meeting with you. I believe you requested one for April 6, and I apologize that Ryan was unable to meet that day. Is there a time next Tuesday, April 19, that would work for you? Thanks.

Darci Greenacre
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To: Stearns.scheduling@mail.house.gov
Cc: Vito Fossella
Subject: FW: Taiwan Travel
Attachments: Tentative Program members (2).rtf; MECEA.pdf

From: LaShaun Lesley
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To: 'stearns.scheduling@mail.house.gov'
Cc: Vito Fossella
Subject: Taiwan Travel

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Dear Sara,

It was a pleasure to speak with you this morning, I am now appreciating the gloomy weather we are having today, it could be worse. ☺ Sara, I have to reiterate that Park Strategies and I are registered with the U.S. Department of Justice, under the Foreign Agents Registration Act, as agents on behalf of our client, the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO) in the United States.

As promised, attached is some information regarding travel to Taiwan. The first attachment is a tentative itinerary delineating the schedule of events for congressional members travelling to Taiwan. The itinerary is a working draft that can be modified to accommodate Congressman Stearns' particular interest and needs. The second attachment relates to subsidizing the trip to Taiwan, is a discussion between former U.S. Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy Karen Hughes and former Taiwan Ambassador David Tawei Lee regarding the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act (MECEA) of 1961. Taiwan has qualified for MECEA since 2006. As such, any Taiwan visit by Congressman Stearns could be paid for through the MECEA program, i.e. using Taiwan funds that are administered by the U.S. State Department.

If Congressman Stearns is interested in visiting Taiwan, please let us know how he feels about having it paid via the MECEA program. If not, we can explore other options. Thanks so much in advance for your assistance.

Best Regards,

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***Tentative Itinerary for
Representative Cliff Stearns (R-FL)
to the Republic of China (Taiwan)***

Day 1

20:10 Arrive at Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport
RON Grand Formosa Regent Taipei

Day 2

10:00 Briefing by the Director of American Institute in Taiwan/
Taipei Office
12:00 Lunch
14:00 Call on Minister, Ministry of Economic Affairs
17:30 Call on Minister of Foreign Affairs
18:00 Dinner hosted by Minister of Foreign Affairs
RON Grand Formosa Regent Taipei

Day 3

10:00 Call on Minister of National Defense
11:30 Call on the President of the Legislative Yuan
12:00 Lunch Hosted by President of the Legislative Yuan
15:00 Visit Taipei 101 Building
16:30 Call on Minister, Mainland Affairs Council
19:00 Dinner
RON Grand Formosa Regent Taipei

Day 4

09:30 Visit the National Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall
11:00 Call on President of the Republic of China (Taiwan), Dr. Ma
Ying-jeou
12:00 Lunch
15:00 Call on Civil Aviation Bureau, Ministry of Transportation

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Day 5

09:00 Depart for Kaohsiung via Taiwan High Speed Rail
11:00 Visit the Port Authority of Kaohsiung Harbor
12:30 Lunch
14:30 Depart for Taichung via Taiwan High Speed Rail
17:00 Arrive at Sun Moon lake, Nantou County
RON The Lalu Hotel, Sun Moon Lake

Day 6

Morning Free
12:00 Lunch
14:00 Tour the Sun Moon Lake
15:30 Depart for Taichung
17:00 Depart for Taipei via High Speed Rail
RON Grand Formosa Regent Taipei

Day 7

09:30 Tour to the National Palace Museum
12:00 Lunch at leisure
16:40 Depart for U. S. via CI006

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The Honorable Condoleezza Rice
Secretary of State
United States Department of State
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Washington, DC 20520

Madam Secretary:

As you know, the Republic of China (Taiwan) and the United States have enjoyed close and mutually beneficial relations for many decades. Our shared commitment to democracy and free markets, along with our efforts to promote peace and security in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond, are enduring foundations of a relationship that can only strengthen over time.

For these reasons and pursuant to Title 22, Part 64 of the Code of Federal Regulations and Section 108A of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended [Public Law 87-256] (22 USC 2458a), I am writing on behalf of my government to apply for the establishment of a Congressional Taiwan Study Program with the United States.

I am sure you are aware that the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act authorizes the Department of State to enter into agreements with foreign governments in furtherance of the Act's main purpose, i.e. to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries by means of educational and cultural exchange.

My government is seeking to establish a program with precisely this intent. We would propose that such a program consist of periodic visits by Members of the U.S. Congress and their staff to Taiwan, each of which would be for approximately 7 days. Once established, we would hope to host up to 200 individuals annually under this program. As per the restrictions described in Public Law 87-256, no grants made under this program would provide assistance with respect to any expenses incurred by or for any member of the family or household of any participating federal employees.

The goals of a Congressional Taiwan Study Program would be to strengthen mutual understanding between leaders from both our countries, expose U.S. leaders to the developments and achievements taking place in Taiwan, and contribute to the further growth of our robust and positive relations with the United States. We would propose to do this by arranging meetings, roundtable discussions, site visits and other relevant activities for our visitors, allowing them to engage with Taiwanese government and

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private sector leaders as much as possible in the course of their stay. We would also seek to provide visitors under this program with an understanding of our rich historical and cultural heritage, a goal uppermost in the minds of those who authored the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act.

A program of this nature would complement and build upon other U.S.-Taiwanese initiatives, most notably our longstanding Fulbright Program. This program, established with the generous support of your government in 1964 and continuing to this day, laid the foundation for educational and cultural ties that have contributed greatly to our mutual trust and understanding. The creation of a new Congressional Taiwan Study Program for Members of Congress and their staff would further advance this worthy goal, and permit my government to reciprocate for the commitment yours has demonstrated over the years.

At a time when the promotion of democratic values, practices and institutions is of significant importance to the United States and its allies, the benefits of establishing educational and cultural exchange programs with like-minded partners is immeasurable. Formally establishing such a program between our governments at this time would, in my estimation, be an appropriate and meritorious way in which to further strengthen and broaden our relations.

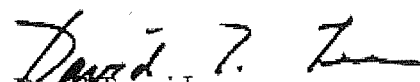
Our Coordination Council for North American Affairs (CCNAA), Headquarters of Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO), would assume responsibility for the implementation of this program, and TECRO in Washington, DC (4201 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20016, Tel: 202-8951800, email: tecro@tecro.us) would serve as its point of contact in the United States.

As for Taiwan's eligibility to apply for this program, Section 4(b)(1) of the Taiwan Relations Act [22 USC 3303(b)(1)] states that "Whenever the laws of the United States refer or relate to foreign countries, nations, states, governments, or similar entities, such terms shall include and such laws shall apply with respect to Taiwan."

I appreciate your consideration of this application to establish a Congressional Taiwan Study Program. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or require more detailed information about this application.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely yours,


David Tawei Lee
Representative

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